

THE LEGACY OF DAVID.

1 Chron 28-29

G. Frederick Owen: *David satisfied the people throughout Israel, he quieted the Philistines for all time to come, then in the midst of peace and plenty wrote many psalms of praise to Jehovah. The elderly king gathered vast stores of stone and iron, brass, and cedar for the erection of the temple of God, gave his parting charge, and closed the most successful royal career recorded in the annals of history.*

Legacy: inheritance or heritage handed down to others.

Acts 13:36 For _____, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption:

Greatest thing said about person: found God's purpose in life and fulfilled it.

Tragedy: live life and die, never finding God's purpose

David's purpose? Serve as king and preserve and continue righteousness of Israel.

David's Legacy

I. Regarding the Temple. 1 Chronicles 28:1-3

David wanted to build a temple for God.

God's answer was no.

Solomon's name: *peace*.

Solomon had different temperament.

1 Chronicles 28:4 David accepted no from God.

1 Chronicles 28:5-8 David had to relinquish dreams.

Yield them to Lord.

Swindoll: *This is our challenge, isn't it? We can live the last years of our life swamped by guilt or overwhelmed by failures of the past. We can either "eat our heart out, " or we can say, "By the grace of God, I did the best I could with what I had. And I claim His promise that somehow He'll use what I did accomplish for His greater glory." What a wonderful attitude to have at the end of one's life!*

II. To His Son.

Realizes he won't be able to accomplish goals--his son will.

1 Chronicles 28:9-10

A. Know God: develop intimate and deep relationship

Not just about God

Philippians 3:10 *That I may know him,*

Knowing Him experientially.

Jesus Christ part of daily conduct.

...power of his resurrection: miraculous power, supernatural ability and strength.

... I want a personal, powerful, intimate, experience with you, the one that raises people from the dead and the one that gives life.

and the fellowship of his sufferings: even though cost of suffering may be high

being made conformable unto his death: willing to do same for Christ.

John Stott: Christ-likeness must lead to Calvary. We must be ready for, and we cannot hope to avoid, the downward path of the crucified. ...

B. Serve God 1 Chronicles 28:9-10

Serve: bond-slave.

Perfect heart: complete, peaceable, made-ready, heart.

Pure motives. All known sin confessed. Loves God. Not divided.

Psalms 101:2

Willing mind: delight, pleasurable. Finds delight in serving God.

God sees you as really are.

Imaginations: conceptions, frames, motives.

C. Seek God. Tread, frequent, follow, pursue, worship, search out.

Psalms 63:1; 105:4; 119:2; Matt 6:33 ; Col 3:1

D. Take heed Heads up; be discerning, Take it serious.

E. Be strong. Don't be a wimp!

F. Do it. Be courageous and act.

1 Chronicles 28:11-19 Plans to the temple.

Now, David talks to Solomon about his position as the ruler of the people. This was the main job of Solomon.

1 Chronicles 28:20

Be strong: courageous, hardened, fastened, lay hold of.

Be of good courage. Alert, steadfast, fortified

Do it.: accomplish it.

Fear not: frightened.

Nor be dismayed: Broken down, afraid.

He won't fail you: Slack off, let you alone.

He won't forsake you: loosen, relinquish.

until thou hast finished ... He will stick with you to end. Philippians 1:6

1 Chronicles 28:21 All different divisions of priests and Levites will serve in Temple.

1 Chronicles 29:1 My son is young and inexperienced.
Temple not for man but for God.

III. He prays

1 Chron. 29:10-13 Praises.

1 Chron. 29: 13-16 Thanks

1 Chron. 29: 17-20 Intercedes

Give my son, Solomon, a perfect heart so he can obey you and be effective in accomplishing your purposes.

IV. He rejoices with the assembly. 1 Chronicles 29:20-28

Swindoll: When a man of God dies, nothing of God dies. And when a man of God dies, none of God's principles die....

Lessons learned:

Man looks on outward but God on heart.

Hope, in midst of humanity.

Courage, in midst of fear.

Encouragement, and praise in songs that grow out of hours of despair.

God gives songs in the night.

Great men can make foolish decisions.

Look past attitude and see position.

Vindictiveness not part of Christian's life.

Consequences of sin do come even though forgiveness has been granted.

Great men can make foolish decisions.

God sees motives.

Swindoll: Thank you, David, for being our model, teaching us by your life such significant truths. And thank you, Father, for being our Master; using us though we are weak, forgiving us when we fail, and loving us through all the Sauls and Goliaths and Jonathans and Abigails and Batheshas and Absaloms and Joabs and Solomons of our lives. Thank you for showing us that we can be people like David...people of passion and destiny.

SO WHAT? What kind of legacy will you hand down?

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1 Chronicles 28:9 *And thou (put your name here),*

- A. Know God.
- B. Serve God with perfect heart and willing mind
- C. Seek God
- D. Take heed
- E. Be strong Don't be a wimp!
- F. Do it.